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intertwined, as they are with all nations who share our beliefs in openness and democracy. So let there be no question about our commitment to Israel; let there be no question that America will stand by Israel today; and let there be no question that America will stand by Israel in the future."

Today I am proud to say these words remain true. Today I am proud to stand in front of you, not as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the Armed Forces of the United States, but as the Secretary of State of the United States of America. The Secretary of State has been given the privilege to helping President Bush formulate and execute his foreign policy, and we will have no greater priority than to work with Israel, to work with the Palestinians, to work with all the others in the region to bring peace, a peace that surpasses all understanding of peace that the region needs.

I'm a former person of war, now I will pursue peace for all the peoples of the region. Shalom.

TRIBUTE TO THE WOMEN'S FUND OF SILICON VALLEY

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

HON. MIKE HONDA

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 22, 2001

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I with my colleague from California, Mr. HONDA, wish to congratulate the Women's Fund of Silicon Valley, on the occasion of the 2001 Annual Women of Achievement Awards. The Women's Fund of Silicon Valley is a non-profit organization that has recognized, honored and supported the work of women and girls since 1972.

The Women's Fund presents annual awards to women of achievement in 14 categories:

arts, communications, community service, business, education, elected public service, entrepreneurship, labor, professional, public service, science and technology, small business, sports and volunteerism.

The Women's Fund has provided scholarships for training and education to help women and girls achieve their goals. The Women's Fund also generously contributes to local non-profit organizations that serve women and girls.

The Women's Fund of Silicon Valley has worked on behalf of women and girls in California for almost twenty years. We are grateful to the organization and its members for making it possible for women and girls to achieve their dreams.